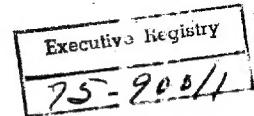


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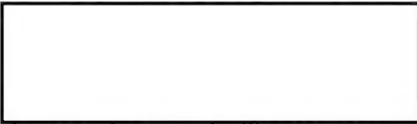


MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
VIA: Deputy Director for Operations  
SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation to Ambassador  
Lewis Hoffacker

1. This is to request your signature on the attached letter of appreciation to Ambassador Hoffacker.

2. On 28 February the Ambassador is leaving his post as Special Assistant to the Secretary and Coordinator for Combating Terrorism to take a position with Shell Oil Company. Since July 1973, when he assumed his present position, Ambassador Hoffacker not only has chaired the Working Group of the Cabinet Committee, but with a very small staff has worked tirelessly to bring the Working Group agencies into span, has encouraged research on methods of bargaining with the terrorists, on behavior of hostages, on ways to get other governments - notably NATO - to stiffen their spines particularly on not releasing apprehended terrorists. In addition he has kept up a vigorous schedule of public addresses to various groups, familiarizing them with U.S. policies. Obviously not all of his efforts have been successful, but he has instilled a sense of urgency and forward movement in the group and has done a first class job of keeping all the disparate members informed of his initiatives and their progress.

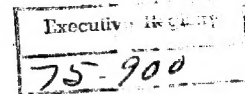
3. It seems fitting therefore, that you acknowledge his contribution to the cause of counterterrorism.

  
Chief, International Terrorism Group  
Operations Staff

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The Honorable Lewis Hoffacker  
Special Assistant to the Secretary  
and Coordinator for Combatting  
Terrorism  
Department of State  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am sorry to learn that you are leaving Government service. The vigor and imagination you have shown in your role as coordinator in the fight against terrorism is exemplary. Your steady and resourceful efforts to induce international cooperation in this fight have been particularly valuable.

My representatives to the Working Group have enjoyed their cooperation with you and join me in wishing you every satisfaction in your new venture in private enterprise.

Sincerely,

/s/ W. E. Colby

W. E. Colby  
Director

CONCUR:



Deputy Director for Operations

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